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WARSAW FOR PRESIDENTIAL PARTY FOR CAVANEY

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP (FORD, GERALD R.)
SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT: WREATH-LAYING CEREMONIES

1. IN MEETING WITH DEPUTY FOR. MIN GLIB TODAY HE REITERATED POSITION THAT IT IS CUSTOMARY FOR HEADS OF STATE ON OFFICIAL VISITS TO LAY A WREATH AT THE HEROES MONUMENT.

2. AMBASSADOR IN TURN REITERATED U.S. POSITION THAT OUR PREFERENCE -- GIVEN TIGHTNESS OF SCHEDULE -- WAS FOR MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TIME POSSIBLE FOR HEAD-TO-HEAD TALKS WITH LESS EMPHASIS ON CEREMONIAL AFFAIRS. HE NOTED THAT PRESIDENT NIXON DID NOT LAY A WREATH IN 1969 AND THAT PRESIDENT CEAUȘESCU'S WREATH-LAYING AT ARLINGTON IN 1970 WAS DURING UNOFFICIAL VISIT AND DID NOT RECUR DURING 1973 OFFICIAL VISIT. GLIGA RAISED POINT OF WHETHER OR NOT PRESIDENT FORD WILL BE LAYING WREATHS DURING VISITS TO POLAND AND YUGOSLAVIA, INFERENCE BEING THAT IF WREATH-LAYING IN THESE COUNTRIES IS PLANNED THEN ROMANIANS WOULD EXPECT SIMILAR TREATMENT.

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MENT. IF NO WREATH-LAYING CEREMONIES ARE PLANNED IN

POLAND AND YUGOSLAVIA THEN ROMANIANS MAY ACCEPT THIS FACT
AS PROOF OF OUR POSITION THAT TALKS MORE THAN
CEREMONIES ARE DESIRED AND WILL NOT PRESS ON THIS POINT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE BY TOMORROW
MORNING INFORMATION CONCERNING ANY WREATH-LAYING
CEREMONIES WHICH TOOK PLACE
IN BONN OR ARE PLANNED FOR WARSAW,
HELSINKI OR BELGRADE.
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